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Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): A breast prosthesis ~~(1)~~ comprising:

a back section adapted for facing a user ~~(12)~~; and
an adhesive element ~~(2)~~ forming a continuous surface substantially conforming to said back section ~~(12)~~ of said breast prosthesis ~~(1)~~; said adhesive element comprising an inner body ~~(3)~~ ~~lined with a material (4)~~; comprising a foam coated with polyurethane;

wherein a side of said adhesive element facing said breast prosthesis ~~(7)~~ is detachably secured to said back section ~~(12)~~ of said breast prosthesis ~~(1)~~ and a side of said adhesive element adapted for facing a user ~~(6)~~ is detachably adherable to the user.

Claim 2 (Currently Amended): The breast prosthesis ~~(1)~~ according to claim 1, wherein said adhesive element ~~(2)~~ is coated with an adhesive material.

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Claim 3 (Currently Amended): The breast prosthesis ~~(1)~~ according to claim 2, wherein said adhesive material is adhesive silicone ~~(5)~~.

Claim 4 (Currently Amended): The breast prosthesis according to claim 2, wherein said adhesive element ~~(2)~~ is coated with said adhesive material on an entire surface of said adhesive element ~~(2)~~ on at least said side of said adhesive element adapted for facing a user ~~(6)~~.

Claim 5 (Currently Amended): The breast prosthesis according to claim 1, wherein said side of said adhesive element ~~(2)~~ facing said breast prosthesis ~~(7)~~ is detachably secured to said back section ~~(12)~~ of said breast prosthesis ~~(1)~~ with hook and loop fasteners.

Claim 6 (Cancelled).

Claim 7 (Currently Amended): The breast prosthesis according to claim 1, wherein said breast prosthesis ~~(1)~~ is shell-shaped.

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Claims 8-10 (Cancelled).

Claim 11 (Original): The breast prosthesis according to claim 1, wherein said breast prosthesis comprises a light weight prosthesis.

Claim 12 (Currently Amended): A breast prosthesis ~~(1)~~ comprising:

a back section adapted for facing a user ~~(12)~~;

an annular flat region ~~(14)~~ located on said back section ~~(12)~~;

an edge ~~(16)~~ extending along an outside perimeter of said annular flat region ~~(14)~~ and having a gap ~~(20)~~ located in an upper region of said breast prosthesis ~~(1)~~; wherein said edge ~~(16)~~ is elevated in relation to said annular flat region ~~(14)~~; and

an adhesive element ~~(2)~~ forming a continuous surface substantially conforming to said annular flat region ~~(14)~~ and extending to an inner surface of said edge ~~(16)~~, having a projection ~~(21)~~ conforming to said gap ~~(20)~~;

wherein a side of said adhesive element facing said breast prosthesis ~~(7)~~ is detachably secured to said annular flat

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region ~~(14)~~ and a side of said adhesive element adapted for facing a user ~~(6)~~ is detachably adherable to said user.

Claim 13 (New):

A breast prosthesis comprising:

a back section adapted for facing a user, said back section comprising an annular flat region;

an edge extending along an outside perimeter of said annular flat region, wherein said edge is elevated in relation to said annular flat region; and

an adhesive element forming a continuous surface substantially conforming to said back section of said breast prosthesis; said adhesive element comprising an inner body lined with a material, wherein said adhesive element is thinner in a region adjacent to said edge than in a remainder of said adhesive element;

wherein a side of said adhesive element facing said breast prosthesis is detachably secured to said back section of said breast prosthesis and a side of said adhesive element adapted for facing a user is detachably adherable to the user.

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Claim 14. (New) A breast prosthesis comprising:

a back section adapted for facing a user; and

an adhesive element forming a continuous surface substantially conforming to said back section of said breast prosthesis; said adhesive element extending over a majority portion of said back section and comprising an inner body comprising a semirigid material;

wherein a side of said adhesive element facing said breast prosthesis is detachably secured to said back section of said breast prosthesis and a side of said adhesive element adapted for facing a user is detachably adherable to the user.

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